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1. WE NEED TO BE SURE THAT WE UNDERSTAND PRECISELY THE INTENT AND MEANING OF REFS A, B AND C WITH RESPECT TO THE RESPONSIBILITY AND AUTHORITY OF THE PHILIPPINE BASE COMMANDER (PBC) WITHIN THE NARROW SECURITY ZONE TO BE ESTABLISHED WHERE BASE AND FACILITIES PERIMETERS ARE COTERMINOUS. AS UNDERSTOOD HERE, THERE IS U.S. AGREEMENT THAT UNDER THE COTERMINOUS SITUATION A NARROW

SECURITY ZONE SHOULD BE ESTABLISHED (EXCEPT AT ACCESS POINTS AND POSSIBLY A FEW PLACES WHERE PHYSICAL FEATURES MIGHT PRECLUDE THIS). THERE IS ALSO AGREEMENT THAT THE PBC SHOULD HAVE PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR BASE PERIMETER SECURITY WITHIN THIS ZONE.

- 2. HOWEVER, REFS A, B AND C ALL STATE THAT THE NARROW SECURITY ZONE WILL BE WITHIN (WHICH WE TAKE TO MEAN BE A PART OF) THE U.S. FACILITIES. UNDER THIS CIRCUMSTANCE, THE PBC WILL HAVE A PRIMARY SECURITY RESPONSIBILITY (ADMITTEDLY RESTRICTIVE) WITHIN U.S. FACILITIES. THIS DOES NOT APPEAR CONSISTENT WITH THE US.S. POSITION SET FORTH IN REF D PARA 2 UNDER ARTICLE IV TITLED SECURITY, WHEREIN IT IS STATED IN PART THAT "THE UNITED STATES FACILITIES COMMANDER SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR AND BEAR THE COSTS OF THE SECURITY OF THE FACILITIES."
- 3. WHILE WE CAN MODIFY AS NEEDED THE SECURITY PARAGRAPH IN REF D, AN ALTERNATIVE APPROACH WOULD BE TO EXCLUDE THE NARROW SECURITY ZONE FROM THE U.S. FACILITIES AND TURN THIS ZONE OVER TO THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE PBC. THE LATTER ACTION WOULD BE CONSISTENT WITH THE APPROACH WE ARE TAKING TO PROVIDE THE PBC WITH AN AREA OVER WHICH HE HAS AUTHORITY AND CAN EXERCISE HIS RESPONSIBILITY FOR BASE PERIMETER SECURITY.

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4. ACTION REQUESTED: WE WOULD APPRECIATE WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON THIS POINT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT WE CAN PROCEED WITH PRESENTATION TO MARCOS OF APPROVED MAPS FOR CLARK AND SUBIC. NEWSOM UNQTE VANCE

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